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Public input sought on county's first green, sustainable, & affordable community

HANAPĒPĒ – A presentation on the development of 75 acres in 'Ele'ele as the county's first green, sustainable and affordable community will be made on Wednesday, Sept. 28 by the Housing Agency and the project's consultant Kimura International.

The meeting will be held at the Hanapēpē public library from 6 to 8 pm.

Called *Lima Ola*, the aim of the multi-phase project is to create an integrated community, from the inclusion of elderly housing units with provisions for aging in place to neighborhood structures that promote interaction between neighbors and community-building.

Other components being considered for *Lima Ola* include: solar orientation; community gardens; connectivity; safe routes to school; as well as ecological engineering to reduce and recapture runoff.

"I encourage everyone to come to the meeting and tell us what they'd like to see at *Lima Ola*," said Mayor Bernard Carvalho, Jr. "It's the county's first foray into developing an integrated community utilizing green and sustainable practices and at the same time, it will also be affordable for residents that meet the income criteria."

Lima Ola is one of 38 projects that are part of Mayor Carvalho's Holo Holo 2020 vision for Kaua'i.

Holo Holo 2020 calls for all organizations, businesses, residents and visitors on Kaua'i to be part of creating an island that is sustainable, values the native culture, has a thriving and healthy economy, cares for all – keiki to kupuna – and has a responsible and user-friendly local government.

To see the entire list of initiatives, please go to www.kauai.gov/mayor.

For more information or to request an auxiliary aid or materials in an alternate format, please contact the Housing Agency at 241-4444 at least five business days prior to the meeting.

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